



From August 2020 our school will be running to a different model and below you will find information that will help you to understand this model and what procedures will be put in place to ensure the safety of all pupils and staff.

SLC primary schools will be implementing a 2 day in school direct teaching and 3 day at home model.

School Model

Children will be allocated either group 1 or group 2 and siblings in the school will be in the same group.

From Monday 22nd June, each class will have a designated 1 hour slot (see the dates section of the school app and school website) for parents/carers to come along to pick up a letter indicating which group your child/children will be in and who their class teacher is.

In school Monday and Tuesday	Group 1
Wednesday	School Closed for whole school clean and staff non-contact time and planning
In school Thursday and Friday	Group 2

For the first week only, there is a slight change to this to allow all children to have face to face contact with their teacher.

Tuesday 11th August - In-service day - **staff only in school.**

Wednesday 12th August - **Group 1 attend school.**

Thursday 13th and Friday 14th August - **Group 2 attend.**

Please note that new P1 pupils will start at 10am on the first three days (12th-14th August) and finish at 2.30pm to allow them to be dropped off and picked up at the dining room door.

To make it easier for families, any siblings of new P1 pupils can also come in at 10am on these days if it helps families' arrangements and can leave at 2.30pm.

From Week beginning 17th **August**, the model outlined above will be implemented.

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Things to Note for Pupil Return

- All children should wear full school uniform when attending school which they should change out of and get washed after they return home
- All children should have soft black shoes to change into when in class
- Children **should not** bring a school bag or pencil case as all children will be supplied with their own set of resources in their own tray to use throughout the two days they are in class
- The only items children should bring to school are; a packed lunch if they are having one and for disposable purposes it might be better to send this in a plastic bag, a water bottle and a snack for break time
- Children will not need to bring a PE kit so that there is no need for them to change clothes and this aspect of the curriculum will form part of their home activities
- An appropriate outdoor jacket should be worn - weather dependent
- Children will not use their cloakrooms to hang their jackets and change their shoes, all their belongings will be kept at their own learning space

Hand Washing and Sanitising

All classes have hand washing and/or sanitising facilities and children will be encouraged several times throughout the day to do this.

There are posters and signs throughout the school to remind children of the procedures in place.

All classes have been set up to ensure a 2m distance between staff and pupils and a video is being prepared to share with you so that you can see the different layouts of each classroom and the procedures in place to ensure social distancing and good hygiene throughout the day. You will then be able to use the video with your children over the summer break to prepare them and to discuss with them what will be expected of them throughout the day.

In order to maintain appropriate distance and to avoid large gatherings of groups, parents/carers will not be permitted to enter the school building at any time and communication should continue to come through the school office by phone or email.

Drop Off and Pick Up

In the first instance we are asking that where possible families make arrangements for children to walk to school or to be dropped off near the school where they can make their way to school on foot to try and avoid any large gatherings within the school grounds.

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In the morning there will be no parking available to parents/carers within the school car park and we will be operating a one way drop off and go system on the ramp. No parents/carers should get out of their vehicles but should stop outside the main entrance to allow the children to get out of the car (**one car at a time**). The children should then make their way to the correct entrance for them which will be signposted.

P1 and P5 pupils should walk round past the dining room door, into the school playground and enter by the first door on their left which is nearest to the gate.

P2 and P3 children should walk round past the dining room door, into the school playground and enter by the second door on their left which is up near the bike shed.

P4 should walk round past the senior playground/forest area and enter through the second door on their right next to the MUGA pitch.

P6 and P7 should walk round past the senior/forest area and enter through the first door on their right next to the forest.

All children should go directly to their class, use the hand sanitisers to sanitise their hands and make their way to their designated seat.

In order to ensure a staggered approach to this and to maintain a distance between children we will operate a soft start in the morning, the time frame for children to make their way to school will be **8.55-9.15am** each morning. Please do not send or drop your child off before 8.50am as the school will not be open.

At the moment there will be no breakfast club in the morning but this will be reviewed at a later date and when further advice and guidance is received.

If you are travelling by car and using the drop off system on the ramp, I would ask that you are patient to allow only one family to drop off at a time. We also need you to be vigilant and remember that there is a pedestrian crossing at this ramp and cars should stop to allow children to cross if they are at the crossing.

In order to allow a steady flow and to avoid congestion, we would ask that cars are not double parked on Whitehills Terrace.

The janitor will be on supervision during this time and will ask parents to abide by these safety measures. If we have parents/carers who are not following the essential safety rules we are putting in place you will not be able to use this service and will be asked to park out with the school grounds.

At the end of the school day we would advise that parents/carers where possible arrange to meet their children outside of the school grounds and walk to and from school.



For those who this is not possible, we would ask that in the first instance you park in car parks away from the school and arrange to meet or walk to this car park.

We will open the school car park and ramp to allow some cars to park but ask that you remain next to your vehicle and when your child is leaving the building you indicate to them where you are.

All children will be dismissed through the dining room door with the exception of P6 and P7 and a staggered approach used to enable continued adherence to the social distancing rules.

2.40pm All family groups will be dismissed

2.45pm P1 will be dismissed

2.50pm P2 and P3 will be dismissed

2.55pm P4 and P5 will be dismissed

2.55pm P6 and P7 will be dismissed from their own door and will make their way round to the front door

It is important that children have a clear understanding of the arrangements for pick up at home time.

Lunch and Breaks

In order to ensure a reduced number of children are in the playground during breaks there will be two staggered break times (P1-4 and P5-7).

There will be a revised lunch menu on offer and this is available to look at or download from the 'About Us' section of the school website.

To try to keep the number of children in the dining hall to a minimum we would ask that where possible you send your child to school with a packed lunch or encourage them to order one from the dining room.

There will be different sittings for children who do order a hot meal, to allow for 2m social distancing at all times.

Blended Learning Approach

On the two days that your child is in school there will be a focus on Literacy, Numeracy and some aspects of Health and Wellbeing.

We know that many families will have a variety of different home circumstances for when their children are at home for the other three days and we will provide some

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guidance around how you can support your child with activities and opportunities within other areas of the curriculum.

As teachers will be class committed for four days, there will be no expectation for work to be handed in or submitted and we will devise a timetable of support to be used as a guide rather than a compulsory aspect. Teachers will still be able to respond to pupils but this may not be on the same day due to their other commitments.

The school will use its website, Twitter and the school app to continue to communicate with all families and signpost to relevant information as and when it becomes available.

As you know things can change on a daily basis at the moment, so it is important to keep checking in regularly to keep up to date with any changes.

We appreciate that there is a lot to consider but hope that if we all work together, we can ensure the continued safety of all until measures change and allow us to update or change our procedures.

Thank you for your continued support at this time.

Mrs Mooty and Staff